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# Dranesville Dispatch

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**Dranesville District Supervisor**

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Dear Dranesville Residents:

Welcome to the fall 2010 edition of the Dranesville Dispatch.

Once again about 170,000 students are heading back to the Fairfax County Public Schools. It is up to all of us to ensure their safety as they travel to and from school. This is a good time to remind ourselves and family members, especially new drivers, to be very careful and watch for students as they wait for and board their buses or walk to school. The number of complaints my office receives regarding drivers who do not stop for stopped school buses and who speed through school areas is surprising and very disappointing. **We all must stop when buses are loading and unloading students. And we all must be extra careful as we drive through residential communities before school starts and after it lets out.** Because Fairfax County Public Schools has had to deal with significant budget challenges, there are fewer bus stops than in the past. As a result, more children will be walking longer distances to bus stops and more will be walking to school. Pedestrian and bicycle safety is always important. With the increased traffic that comes in the fall and the return to school, we need to be especially vigilant and careful for our children's sake.

As discussed in this edition of the Dispatch, many good things continue to happen in the Dranesville District and much progress is being made on pedestrian safety and access, the Metrorail to Dulles project, transforming Tysons Corner and other stops along the rail line into mixed-use transit oriented communities, installing synthetic turf surfaces on athletic fields, and in many other areas. Portions of the Dranesville District continue to be adversely impacted by construction of two of VDOT's Megaprojects, the HOT Lanes and the Dulles Rail project. My office meets regularly with the project managers for HOT Lanes and Dulles Rail to address constituent concerns and discuss each stage of construction. While we cannot make the construction process painless, we are attempting to mitigate the impacts as best we can. Working with our state legislators, we have also obtained commitments for soundwalls along the HOT Lanes and Metro Rail projects to mitigate the noise and visual impacts in neighborhoods along the routes of these projects. In addition to focusing on congestion and noise impacts during construction, plans are being developed for reforestation of the construction areas during the final stages of the projects.

The County will face another difficult budget year in 2011. Once again, I have convened the Dranesville District Budget Task Force. The task force is comprised of community leaders who will work with me to examine every aspect of the budget. I will continue to pursue the right balance between meeting the demands for essential services and protecting the taxpayers in this very difficult time.

Fall is a wonderful time to enjoy the many social events sponsored by our schools and community groups. You can learn about these upcoming community events in this edition of the Dispatch. Please take a few minutes to review this newsletter for news, special events, and updates on projects throughout Dranesville.

As always, I welcome your comments and suggestions on issues affecting you and your communities. It is a privilege to serve you and I thank you for the opportunity.

Best wishes,

John W. Foust

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## Attention Homeowner Associations:

If you are interested in having Supervisor Foust attend your Homeowner Association or Civic Organization meeting, please contact the Supervisor's scheduler, Dianne Peikin, at 703-356-0551.

Please provide us with the latest contact information for your Association Officers so that we may keep you better informed of events in Dranesville that may impact you and your neighborhood.

Call (703) 356-0551 or email Julie Ide at [Julie.Ide@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Julie.Ide@fairfaxcounty.gov) with your latest information.

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## Herndon Office

Our office in the Town of Herndon is dedicated to serving constituents in the western-most part of Dranesville. Staff Aide, **Jennifer Boysko**, is available specifically to assist Herndon area constituents.

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# Dranesville Project Updates



## HOTLanes

### Northern Lane Extension Suspended

Supervisor Foust and Delegate Barbara Comstock hosted a public meeting this June to listen to residents' concerns regarding Transurban/Fluor's proposal to extend the HOT Lanes terminus beyond the Georgetown Pike Bridge. At the Supervisor's request, HOT Lanes staff was asked to respond in writing to the issues that had been raised at the meeting. In early August, Transurban/Fluor notified Supervisor Foust that it has suspended development activities on the proposed extension beyond Georgetown Pike. HOT Lanes project directors cited higher than expected construction cost estimates as their reason for reconsidering the additional roadway. Completion of the HOT Lanes is anticipated to be in 2012.

### Oak Street Bridge Opens While Idylwood Bridge Closed

Virginia Megaprojects announced the re-opening of the Oak Street Bridge and the closure of Idylwood Bridge to allow for construction of the HOT Lanes in that area. Project managers estimate that depending upon weather conditions, the building in the area could take six months but hope to have the Idylwood Bridge open by the end of the year. Please see the following link for more detailed information: <http://www.vamegaprojects.com/about-megaprojects/i495-hot-lanes/oak-street-and-idylwood-road-information/>. For additional information on the HOTLanes project visit <http://www.vamegaprojects.com/about-megaprojects/i495-hot-lanes/> or contact Steven Titunik, Communications Director for Virginia Megaprojects at [Steven.Titunik@VDOT.Virginia.gov](mailto:Steven.Titunik@VDOT.Virginia.gov) or 571-483-2591.

## Dulles Metro Rail

### Construction in Full Swing

Construction of Phase I of the new Silver Line from West Falls Church, through Tysons Corner, and beyond to Wiehle Avenue is well under way. Rail service to Wiehle Avenue is scheduled to commence in late 2013. Motorists and residents are experiencing changes in their driving routes and are seeing new concrete and steel structures to support the tracks and new stations. Four new stations are under construction in the Tysons area:

- Route 123 at Scotts Crossing Road/Colshire Drive
- Route 7 just northwest of Route 123
- Route 123 at Tysons Boulevard
- Route 7 at Spring Hill Road

Supervisor Foust routinely sends emails to constituents alerting them to road and ramp closures and to keep Dranesville residents advised of what to expect in the near future. Contact the Supervisor's office at [Dranesville@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Dranesville@fairfaxcounty.gov) if you would like to receive these email updates. For more information on the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project, please visit [www.dullesmetro.com](http://www.dullesmetro.com) or call (703) 572-0506.

### Public Information Public Information Workshops on Proposed Design Updates

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority will hold two public information workshops to update the public on the latest design plans for the 11.6 mile section of Phase 2 of the Dulles Metrorail project which will be built from Wiehle Avenue on the eastern edge of Reston in Fairfax County to Route 772 in Ashburn in eastern Loudoun County.

Information will be provided on the six future Metrorail stations in Phase 2, including an alternative option for the Washington Dulles International Airport station. The other five Phase 2 stations will be located near: Reston Parkway; Herndon-Monroe; Route 28; Route 606 and Route 772.

The meetings are scheduled for:

**Monday, September 13** from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Sheraton Reston  
11810 Sunrise Valley Drive  
Reston VA 20191

**Tuesday, September 14** from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum  
Claude Moore Colonial Farm  
21668 Heritage Farm Lane  
Sterling, VA 20164

The meetings will be held in open house format and will provide an opportunity to learn about and comment on the updates. If special assistance is needed, including a request for an interpreter, please call 571-265-2658 or TDD 711 by Friday, Sept. 10. For more information contact Marcia McAllister at 703-572-0506 or by email at [marcia.mcallister@dullesmetro.com](mailto:marcia.mcallister@dullesmetro.com).

## Leigh Mill Bridge will Re-open by December *Detour Remains in Effect During Bridge Replacement*

VDOT has announced that the one-lane bridge on Leigh Mill Road over Difficult Run in Great Falls will re-open to traffic by December rather than in early September as originally anticipated. The delay means that traffic will continue to be detoured while crews replace the bridge.

After the bridge closed to traffic on July 12, the superstructure was removed. VDOT engineers then determined that the bridge abutments and wing walls are in worse condition than previous investigations and inspections revealed. The old abutments and wing walls, of unknown age, are constructed of stone masonry which has lost much of its structural integrity over the years. The entire substructure has to be demolished and replaced with an exterior stone texture to replicate the original structure. VDOT engineers are developing new plans for the abutments and wing walls and hope to accelerate the work and open the bridge sooner than December.

The new bridge will be the same length, elevation and alignment as the existing bridge, but will be 15 feet wide rather than 13 feet to accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists. The new deck, posts, rails, and curbs will be constructed with a laminated wood product that is bonded with strong, waterproof adhesives. When finished, the new bridge will be safer, stronger, last longer and have a natural appearance.

About a thousand vehicles a day use the bridge.

## In Herndon Two Synthetic Turf Fields Completed Before School Begins: *A Reason to Celebrate!*

Herndon High School students and the youth sports groups are already enjoying two new synthetic turf fields recently installed as part of a collaborative effort between the Herndon Optimists; Herndon Youth Soccer; Herndon High School Sports Boosters; local businessman, Arthur Nachman; Laura Powell of Virginia Heritage Bank; FCPS Dranesville School Board member Janie Strauss; FCPS Building and Construction staff; Kevin Fay, Dranesville representative to the Park Authority Board; Fairfax County Park Authority and staff; Fairfax County Community Recreation Services (CRS); Herndon High School staff and Supervisor Foust.

Supervisor Foust, along with other Herndon Synthetic Turf Field supporters, was a guest at a celebratory dinner on August 25. The event was hosted by Mike Mahoney, Herndon High School's Director of Student Activities and the Student Activities Department, and held just as the sports season kicked off the 2010-11 school year.

Mr. Mahoney recognized the efforts of each stakeholder's efforts and expressed gratitude on behalf of the school. Fairfax County provided a \$150,000 grant and the Fairfax County Park Authority provided \$400,000 towards the second practice field synthetic turf project, where the larger amount of community use will take place. Supervisor Foust and his staff worked with the County and all of the community groups to secure the Fairfax County funds. The community groups obtained a loan from Virginia Heritage Bank to finance the remaining cost of the two turf fields. The project was managed by FCPS Building and Construction. This unique project was a result of numerous parties working together with the needs of Fairfax County's youth foremost in mind, and will provide a model for other collaborations between the County Government, FCPS and local community groups and businesses.



## Tysons Metrorail Station Access Management Study Advisory Group

**The Tysons Metrorail Station Access Management Study Advisory Group (TMSAMS)** was formed by Fairfax County to inform the public about the level of access to the four new Metrorail stations currently being constructed in Tysons Corner. Given that only a very limited supply of kiss and ride parking spaces are planned for these stations, the public participation program will focus on pedestrian, bicycle and bus improvements. Using input from the public, the Advisory Group will prioritize improvements in these transportation modes necessary to access the new Metrorail stations.

The advisory group is comprised of two representatives from each of the three magisterial districts surrounding the new Tysons metro stops: Dranesville, Hunter Mill and Providence and is supported by staff from the Fairfax County Department of Transportation and the Supervisors' offices.

Meetings are open to the public and are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. For more information contact Kris Morley-Nikfar with Fairfax County Department of Transportation at (703) 877-5672 or [Kris.Morley-Nikfar@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Kris.Morley-Nikfar@fairfaxcounty.gov).

# Dranesville Transportation Spot Improvement Updates

## **Some Recently Completed Projects:**

### **Georgetown Pike**

Constructed 1,260 linear foot stone dust trail from Applewood Lane to Great Falls Village Center and upgraded trail in front of Great Falls Library.

(Project was conceived by the Great Falls Trail Blazers and funded in part by Enhancement and Scenic Byway grants the group obtained and Fairfax County matching funds.)

### **Walker Road Walkway**

Constructed 1,200 linear foot walkway north of Great Falls Village Center to north end of Great Falls Elementary School.

(Project was conceived by the Great Falls Trail Blazers and funded in part by Enhancement and Scenic Byway grants the group obtained and Fairfax County matching funds.)

### **Walker Road Turn Lane**

Extended full south-bound right turn lane onto Georgetown Pike.

### **Dolley Madison Blvd.**

Extended left turn lane onto Waverly Way.

### **Route 7 and Dranesville Road**

Installed signalized crosswalks on west leg of Route 7 and south leg of Dranesville.

Added curb ramps, sidewalk and signage.

### **Lewinsville Road and Balls Hill Road / Dolley Madison Blvd. & Great Falls Street**

Installed crosswalks and pedestrian signals, and completed missing trail segment on Lewinsville Road from Dolley Madison to Balls Hill Road.

### **Route 7 and Magarity Road**

Installed and upgraded pedestrian ramps, including across Lisle Avenue. Upgraded existing crosswalk across Leesburg Pike and upgraded pedestrian signals.

## **Projects Nearing Completion:**

Fall completion expected for installation of bike lane signage on the following road segments:

- **Fleetwood Road Between Elm Street and Chain Bridge Road**
- **Kurtz Road between Dolley Madison Blvd. and Calder Road**
- **Calder Road between Kurtz Road and Brawner Street**

## **Supervisor Foust to Hold Public Meeting to Review Changes on Lewinsville Road**

Changes are coming that will impact traffic patterns and improve pedestrian and bicycle safety along Lewinsville Road. These changes will result from projects that relocate the entrance for Spring Hill REC Center and construct a median and pedestrian crossing in front of Spring Hill Elementary School.

Over the past eighteen months, Supervisor Foust and staff from the County's Transportation Department, Park Authority, Fairfax County Public Schools and Virginia Department of Transportation have addressed numerous issues and concerns raised by the community and the Schools related to the projects. Supervisor Foust is holding this public meeting to review the project changes that will be implemented to address those issues and concerns.

### **Meeting Details:**

Tuesday, September 21

7:00 pm

Spring Hill Elementary School Cafeteria

8201 Lewinsville Road

McLean, VA 22102-2699

For more information contact Julie Ide at 703-356-0551 or by email at [julie.ide@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:julie.ide@fairfaxcounty.gov).



## Great Falls Fire House

Construction of the new Great Falls Fire Station is underway. Work is proceeding on the relocation of the underground utilities to make room for the new building. By mid-September a temporary facility (consisting of a large tent and trailers) is expected to be erected near Walker Road. Once this facility is ready, construction of the new building will begin. Currently, the project is on schedule for completion in early 2012.

Shortly after taking office, Supervisor Foust held meetings with Great Falls residents to discuss concerns the community had with the project as proposed. Major concerns raised were the closing of the Fire House “cut through,” and the fact that the County’s design called for using “Pump and Haul” to remove sewage from the station because there was no available septic field. To address the cut through issue, Supervisor Foust obtained funding to add a turn lane on Walker Road onto Georgetown Pike. Supervisor Foust also committed to seek funding to purchase an adjacent commercial property to provide a septic field. That funding became available when the project was competitively bid and construction costs came in much lower than had been estimated. The Board of Supervisors then authorized staff to purchase the adjacent property. The County will close on that purchase in the near future, making it possible to design a septic field into the project and eliminate the need for the Pump and Haul.

## Upcoming Dranesville Land Use Cases

### **Cricket Communications Telecommunications Tower**

(SEA 99-D-043)

*1889 Liberty Meeting Court, Herndon*

Proposed Special Exception Amendment to extend the height of an existing telecommunications tower by 20 feet. The tower will be made to look like a bell tower. If approved, the height of the structure would be 120 feet.

**Planning Commission hearing: September 16, 2010; Board of Supervisors hearing: To be determined.**

### **Longfellow Middle School Telecommunications Tower**

(2232-D09-36)

*2000 Westmoreland Street, Falls Church*

Proposal to build a 115 foot telecommunications tower at Longfellow Middle School. The tower would be made to look like a tree and would accommodate up to five wireless providers.

**Applicant-Sponsored Open House: September 25, 2010 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at Longfellow Middle School.**

**Planning Commission hearing: October 28, 2010; Board of Supervisors hearing: None (2232 telecommunication applications are not heard by the Board of Supervisors unless an applicant appeals a Planning Commission denial).**

## What is a “2232 Review”?

The term “2232 review” refers to a review process required under Section 15.2-2232 of the Code of Virginia. The code provides Planning Commission review of public facility, utility, or public service corporation proposals to determine if their general location, character, and extent are substantially in accord with the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan.

### **Dominion Virginia Power Reddfields Substation**

(SEA 85-D-033-03)

*West Falls Church Service and Inspection Yard, Idylwood*

Special Exception Application for the construction of a power substation facility to provide electric power to the Metro Silver Line and nearby homes, businesses, and institutions. The proposed substation would convert electric power from an existing transmission line that crosses the property.

**Planning Commission hearing: November 3, 2010; Board of Supervisors hearing: To be determined.**

### **District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority**

(SEA 2010-DR-002)

*River Bend Knolls, Great Falls*

Proposal is part of an ongoing long-term odor abatement program. Facility will utilize fans to pull odorous air from the atmosphere within the Potomac Interceptor sewer and push air through a tank containing activated carbon. The purified air is then discharged into the atmosphere. Facility will be enclosed within a natural stone veneer building with louvered windows.

**Planning Commission hearing: October 20, 2010; Board of Supervisors hearing: Date to be determined.**

## Board of Supervisors Approves Comprehensive Plan for Tysons Corner *Changes to Include Widening Rt. 7 from Tysons Corner to Reston Avenue*

On June 22 the Board of Supervisors approved changes to the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance that open the way for the redevelopment of Tysons Corner. The vote caps a nearly five-year process that involved dozens of meetings with stakeholders, including landowners, residents, and advocacy groups.

The transformation will capitalize on the four new Metro stations with most new development concentrated within a quarter mile of the stations. The new plan seeks to convert Tysons from a suburban office park to a transit oriented, pedestrian friendly, vibrant urban center that includes sidewalk cafes, ground level retail, tree-lined boulevards, public art and outdoor performances, and parks.

The key to achieving this vision for Tysons will be to ensure that the infrastructure needed to serve the new development is in place. “The County has learned that we need to do a better job of phasing development to needed infrastructure,” said Supervisor Foust of past planning efforts in Tysons. “This plan clearly states that infrastructure needs to keep pace with development.”

Transportation improvements will include a grid of streets and a series of new boulevards and avenues within Tysons. An analysis of 19 intersections in surrounding areas, called for by Supervisor Foust, found that at least 11 of them will require improvements to manage the additional traffic. **A significant transportation project championed by Supervisor Foust will be the widening of Route 7 from the Dulles Toll Road to Reston Avenue. At Supervisor Foust’s request, County staff was directed to investigate the possibility of interim commuter parking at the Metro stations. “Getting the Route 7 widening project included in the plan and the commuter parking study were important to improve the accessibility of Tysons to surrounding communities,” said Supervisor Foust.**

Growth in Tysons will generate the need for various public facilities including schools, parks, libraries, and police and fire stations. The plan envisions that Tysons will require two new elementary schools, the expansion of one of the middle schools serving Tysons (Kilmer or Thoreau), and the expansion of the Marshall High School, which currently serves as the high school for Tysons. A new community library will be required when the number of residents in Tysons reaches 50,000. Two fire stations and a satellite police station will also be needed. A total of 20 athletic fields will be required to meet the expected demand in Tysons.

Staff has been directed to work on financing options for the infrastructure needed to implement the Tysons Plan. These financing options will be the next major focus of the planning effort. Issues include the amount of public versus private funding and funding mechanisms. In addition, staff is working on a proposal for the organization and function of the Tysons Partnership, which will play a role in the implementation of the plan.

For more information contact Ben Wiles at the Dranesville District Supervisor’s Office at 703-356-0551, TTY 711, or by email at [benjamin.wiles@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:benjamin.wiles@fairfaxcounty.gov).

## Signs Celebrate Beauty and History of Georgetown Pike

Georgetown Pike, named Virginia’s first Historic and Scenic Byway in 1973, now has four handsome gateway signs commemorating that honor.

This past July, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) completed installation of the signs which sit atop stone walls similar to those seen throughout Virginia’s countryside.

“I want to thank VDOT and the McLean and Great Falls residents who worked for many years to make the signs happen. The signs draw attention to the history of Georgetown Pike and will encourage, I hope, motorists to drive at a safe speed,” said Supervisor John Foust. According to John Adams, President of the Georgetown Pike Association, “these signs are part of the 1999 Georgetown Pike Traffic Calming Working Group recommendations.” The groups members were Delegate Vince Callahan, Senator Janet Howell, former Dranesville Supervisor Stuart Mendelson, and from the Georgetown Pike Association: Dorothy McCormick, Knowles Harper and John Adams, and from the Great Falls Citizen Association: Eleanor Anderson, John Ulfelder and Karen Washburn.

The signs are located on Georgetown Pike near Route 7, the Beltway and off Route 123 at Colonial Farm Road. State and federal byway monies funded the design and installation. Arthur Construction of Herndon was the contractor.



## **Salona Park Master Plan**

McLean is home to the historic Salona Property, located at 1235 Dolley Madison Blvd. This residence played a significant role in history on a number of occasions. President James Madison stayed at the home when Washington D.C. was attacked by the British during the War of 1812. In 1850 the Smoot family acquired the property and used it as a working farm through the Civil War, at which time Union encampments were located at and around Salona. In 1952 the property was purchased by the DuVal family who have owned it ever since. In 1971 an easement was placed on the house and its immediate vicinity to protect the historic nature of the home.

In 2005 Dan and Karen DuVal entered into a perpetual conservation easement with Fairfax County Park Authority and Northern Virginia Conservation Trust on a 41-acre portion of the site for use as a public park. The 2005 agreement established certain uses to be permitted within the easement area.

The Fairfax County Park Authority has initiated a public planning process for Salona Park. The Park Authority held a public information meeting in the winter of 2010 and plans additional public meetings in the future. Using site data and public input, the Park Authority will prepare a draft master plan which will be presented for public review and comment at a public hearing.

### **Hearing Details:**

November 17 at 7:00 pm  
Franklin Sherman Elementary School  
6630 Brawner Street  
McLean, VA 22101-4099

Supervisor Foust feels that this is a wonderful opportunity to decide how this beautiful historic property will be used. To this end, he is soliciting broad input from the community and is working very closely with the Park Authority, the DuVals, various organizations and citizens to ensure that we maximize the best use of the property for the public.

For more information on Salona Park visit the Salona Park Master Plan website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/salona.htm> or contact Cheryl Patten in the office of Supervisor Foust at 703-356-0551 or by email at [cheryl.patten@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:cheryl.patten@fairfaxcounty.gov).

## **Center for Innovative Technology (CIT)/Route 28 Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment Adopted**

At its July 27 meeting, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved changes to the County's Comprehensive Plan to address almost 50 acres of the Route 28/ CIT Transit Station Area that is located north of the Dulles Toll Road. Supervisor Foust had deferred final passage of the Comprehensive Plan amendment until he gained assurances that numerous local concerns were appropriately addressed.

The adopted plan for this area allows for the clustering of mixed-use development around the proposed Metro Silver Line station at the CIT. The plan, subject to transit implementation and coordination with adjacent development, includes multi-family residential, office, hotel, as well as retail uses designed to serve the community. The plan envisions that the highest concentration of development will occur closest to the Metro station and will taper down to the adjoining residential communities.

The Route 28/ CIT transit station is part of the upcoming Phase II Metro extension that is expected to be completed in 2016.

Because of the proposed station's proximity to the Town of Herndon and Loudoun County, an inter-jurisdictional committee of elected officials was formed to ensure coordination of planning issues. In addition to Supervisor Foust, committee members included Scott York, Chairman of the Loudoun Board of Supervisors; Loudoun Vice Chairman Kelly Burke and Supervisor Stevens Miller; Herndon Mayor Steve DeBenedittis and Council Members Connie Hutchinson and Richard Downer; Fairfax County Chairman Sharon Bulova and Supervisors Cathy Hudgins and Michael Frye.

The amendments were considered by the Dranesville APR Taskforce, appointed by Supervisor Foust, and chaired by John Ulfelder (Great Falls). The taskforce members included several Town of Herndon residents, including two Herndon Planning Commissioners. There were also representatives from Reflections HOA and Rock Hill HOA, as well as appointees from throughout the Dranesville district. The two year long process gave an opportunity for residents and neighboring jurisdictions to share concerns and find consensus as the amendments were deliberated.

## **Work Begins at Spring Hill REC Center Parking Expansion**

Improvements continue at Spring Hill REC Center with the construction of 260 new parking spaces, for a total of 543 car parking spaces. Three new dedicated bus spaces will also be created. Additionally, two underground stormwater management systems, a bioretention facility and a stormwater management pond will be constructed as part of the project. Visitors to the REC center will enjoy new walkways, new lighting and site landscaping. The entire project is expected to be completed by July 2011. A portion of the funding for this project came from the 2004 Park Authority Bond. Supervisor Foust secured additional funding as part of the 2008 Park Bond.



### Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Asks VDOT to Reconsider Dual Turn Lane Design at Route 7 and Georgetown Pike

At its July 27 meeting, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted to ask Commonwealth of Virginia Transportation Secretary, Sean Connaughton, to consider an alternative design to the planned modifications at the intersection of Route 7 and Georgetown Pike (Route 193). The joint board matter was brought by Chairman Sharon Bulova and Dranesville Supervisor John Foust.

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has proposed the dual turn lanes to accommodate traffic turning left from eastbound Route 7 onto Georgetown Pike. The board matter asks Secretary Connaughton to consider the alternative of extending the existing single eastbound left turn lane the distance needed to safely store left turning traffic and to include a raised median to prevent traffic from cutting into the left turn queue and blocking traffic on the Route 7 through lanes. The matter also asks the Secretary to explore project modifications to preserve the historical alignment of Georgetown Pike at this intersection. Great Falls residents, as well as Federal, State and Local elected officials who represent them, are concerned that the dual turn lanes could induce or encourage more traffic to use Georgetown Pike, an historic structure that has been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and was designated as Virginia's first Historic and Scenic Byway.

The board matter noted that prior iterations of the design that were presented to the public and approved by the Board of Supervisors did not include VDOT's current proposal to realign Georgetown Pike from its historical roadbed. Nor did they include adding multiple auxiliary lanes to Georgetown Pike. One concern expressed by Supervisor Foust was that the Board and the community were not given an opportunity to comment or reapprove these changes.

The Board emphasized that this effort should not delay the partial Route 7 widening project since that project is currently only beginning the stage of land acquisition and utility relocations outside the area that will be impacted by the requested changes.

This project is part of the major goal to widen Route 7 from the Loudoun County border to Tysons Corner. At the request of Supervisor Foust, the recently adopted Comprehensive Plan for Tysons Corner was amended to include the complete widening of Route 7 between Rolling Holly Drive and the Dulles Toll Road as a required additional transportation improvement.

For more information please contact Julie Ide in Supervisor Foust's office at 703-356-0551, TTY 711 or by email at [julie.ide@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:julie.ide@fairfaxcounty.gov).

### Vehicle Registration Fee in 2010 Personal Property Bills

2010 Fairfax County Personal Property Tax bills have been mailed to residents and are due on Oct. 5. The bill includes a \$33 registration fee for cars (\$38 for vehicles in excess of 4,000 pounds) normally located in the County as of July 1, 2010.

The Fiscal Year 2011 budget was effective July 1, 2010. For the second consecutive year, the Board of Supervisors adopted a budget that reduced operating expenses by over \$90 million. In adopting the budget, the Board sought to maintain critical services while being sensitive to the fiscal challenges faced by County taxpayers. However, because of the poor economy, especially in the real estate market, County revenues are down substantially at a time when the need for County services is at an all-time high.

Because Virginia is a "Dillon Rule" state, the County only has the authority that is expressly delegated to it by the State. The State has given the County very limited authority to diversify its revenue sources. As a result, a disproportionate share of County revenues is generated by the tax on residential real estate. For FY2011, the Board chose to re-institute the vehicle registration fee which enabled the Board to slightly reduce the average residential real estate tax bill.

Unlike the prior version of the Vehicle Registration Fee, there is no requirement to purchase or display a windshield decal. Residents living within the towns of Clifton, Herndon and Vienna may have additional decal and/or fee requirements; contact your respective town for more information.

There are several convenient ways to pay the personal property tax. Refer to the information included in your bill, visit the Department of Tax Administration online, or call 703-222-8234 (TTY 703-222-7594).

## Chemical Bombs in Mailboxes

**Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department** has reported that the Great Falls area has been experiencing a rash of chemical bombs placed in mailboxes. According to the Fairfax County Fire and Hazardous Materials Investigative Services Section, chemical bombs include several components which when mixed together and sealed in a plastic bottle create a reaction that releases gas. The gas causes the plastic bottle to swell until it explodes. The explosions are powerful enough to damage mailboxes and cause potentially serious harm to persons.

The Fire and Hazardous Materials Investigative Services Section of the Fire Department provides these useful tips:

### Awareness

- Look for the anomalies:
  - Plastic bottle placed inside in a mailbox or in other unusual location
  - Plastic fragments, aluminum fragments, or oily liquid residue in or on a mailbox
  - Items of mail soaked with oily liquid residue
  - Leaks, stains, or damage to mailbox or materials protruding from mailbox
  - Hissing, vibration, or other unusual sound emanating from mailbox or plastic bottle
  - Chemical, acidic, or other unusual odors in or around a mailbox

### Safety Instructions

- Immediately dial 911 to request fire/rescue and police assistance.
- Leave the bottle or substance where it was found. Do not disturb bottles as they may explode when handled.
- Do not try to clean up the substance or remove broken bottles.
- Clear the immediate area of all persons and keep others away. Chemical bombs often contain corrosive materials which could be harmful.
- Instruct people in the immediate area of the bottle or substance to wash hands and other exposed skin with soap and water. Seek medical attention for burns or other injuries.
- Cordon off the immediate area and direct people to a designated place away from the bottle or substance to await further instructions.

### Pre-Incident Awareness

- Be aware of unusual activity in your neighborhood, such as strange vehicles or persons stopping at mailboxes or vehicles or persons stopping at mailboxes late at night.
- Write down descriptions of vehicles or persons acting unusually near mailboxes, including the make/model & license tags of vehicles and the age, gender, and general description of persons in the vehicle or on foot near mailboxes.

### Actions At The Incident

- If possible without disturbing the bottle or substance, document the location of bottle or substance, description of mailbox or location of the bottle, description of bottle or substance (color, markings, labels, contents) and addressee's name and address.
- After dialing 911 to request fire/rescue and police response, take actions and make appropriate notifications as directed or as published in your local civic association guidelines.

**Fire Investigators ask that anyone with information regarding chemical bombs please contact the Fire Investigations Branch at 703-246-4386.**

## The Green McLean Initiative

The Green McLean Initiative is being coordinated by the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Supervisor Foust and a group of diverse business, civic, and community leaders. Green McLean aims to establish McLean as a leader for smart energy and environmental stewardship in the Commonwealth of Virginia. With an emphasis on education, resources and tools as well as encouraging measurable change, Green McLean will reach out to and engage residents and businesses alike to make McLean a cutting edge community leader in sustainability. Please stay tuned as you'll begin to see several of our programs being introduced that will make McLean a destination community in which to live, work and play. For more information, you may contact Ghassan Abukurah at 703-448-6700 or by email at [greenmclean@me.com](mailto:greenmclean@me.com).

## Fairfax County Traffic Calming Program Loses State Funding Source

### *Supervisor Foust Committed to Finding Alternative Funding*

“Traffic calming” is the use of physical measures to reduce the speed of motor vehicle use on qualifying roads. Various types of devices can be used including speed humps, speed tables, raised pedestrian crosswalks, chokers, traffic circles, median islands and stop signs. Traffic calming has been a popular and successful program funded through the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and offered to communities by the Fairfax County Department of Transportation through the office of the local Supervisor.

Beginning this year, VDOT’s secondary road construction budget for Fairfax County was cut to less than \$2,000 per year. Because of this drastic cut, future funding for the County’s traffic calming program has been discontinued by the State. In addition, since the inception of the traffic calming program, Fairfax County has relied on VDOT’s state force construction crews to construct the calming projects. This spring VDOT disbanded the state force construction crew and, as a result, construction costs for future calming projects will increase as future construction contracts must be completed by non-state, contracted forces.

Despite this unfortunate cut in funding from the State, Dranesville residents should not be deterred from pursuing traffic calming in their neighborhoods. Supervisor Foust believes strongly in the importance of this program and is determined to find alternative sources of funding.

If a Fairfax County community requests traffic calming, staff from the Fairfax County Department of Transportation will continue to process requests to determine street eligibility for the program and to plan for and develop conceptual traffic calming plans with the community. However, in undertaking this effort, communities should be aware of the following:

- Construction funding may not be immediately available for implementation once a conceptual traffic calming plan is developed.
- The eligibility and planning effort may need to be repeated depending on the length of time that elapses between completion of the community involvement process and funding becoming available for implementation of new traffic calming projects.

For more information on the traffic calming program visit the Fairfax County Department of Transportation’s website at [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/rtap.htm#traffic\\_calm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/rtap.htm#traffic_calm) or contact Julie Ide in the office of Supervisor Foust at 703-356-0551 or by email at [julie.ide@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:julie.ide@fairfaxcounty.gov).

## Herndon Prepares for Metro’s Silver Line

The Town of Herndon is preparing for the opening of the Herndon-Monroe Metrorail stop, which will be located in the median of the Dulles Toll Road adjacent to the existing park-and-ride garage on Sunrise Valley Drive. A pedestrian bridge will connect the station to land within the Town of Herndon, on the south side of Herndon Parkway. The project is planned for completion in 2016.

On July 19, the Town’s Planning Commission hosted a community workshop in cooperation with the Herndon Town Council and VHB, the town's project consultant.

After a short briefing, participants were asked to:

- use electronic devices to vote on specific issues at the metrorail station;
- visit information stations and provide their opinions;
- have one-on-one conversations with experts;
- look at slides and vote electronically on building forms that might be suitable at the Herndon metrorail station;
- watch repeating slide shows of snapshots in the Herndon study area and of development around other metro stations.

Topics for discussion included:

- Ideas for new, vibrant and welcoming metro area development
- Ways to mitigate traffic impacts of the new Metrorail stop
- Opportunities and challenges in the planning process

You can visit [www.vhb.com/herndonmetrorail](http://www.vhb.com/herndonmetrorail) for additional details about the Town’s planning efforts for the new metro stop. The Town encourages comments which may be submitted through e-mail at the following address: [metro.plan@herndon-va.gov](mailto:metro.plan@herndon-va.gov) or by calling (703) 787-7380.

An additional workshop is planned for the fall, with a final, community-wide vision to be presented in spring 2011.

## McLean Community Center Governing Board Appoints George Sachs Executive Director

*Sachs Becomes Agency's Sixth Director in 35 Years*

The McLean Community Center (MCC) Governing Board named George A. Sachs the Center's new executive director at the Board's July 28 meeting. Sachs has served as acting executive director since April 1. The Center is located at 1234 Ingleside Avenue in McLean.



This year marks the 35th Anniversary of the McLean Community Center. Please watch the McLean Community Center website for announcements on upcoming activities celebrating this occasion at <http://www.mcleancenter.org/default.asp>.

## New Turf Fields for Spring Hill REC Center and Linway Terrace

Plans to convert existing rectangular fields at Spring Hill REC Center and Linway Terrace Park from grass to synthetic turf surfaces have been announced. Funding for Linway Terrace Park field # 1 includes a \$150,000 Synthetic Turf Mini-Grant which was secured through the County's Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (DNCS). The remaining funding for the two fields will be contributed by McLean Youth Soccer (MYS). The field dimensions are 220' x 370' and will include striping for multipurpose sports. Under County field scheduling rules, MYS will share prime time access to all fields with other youth sports. The new field at Spring Hill REC center will replace existing field #7 which is being converted to synthetic turf as part of the new parking lot project for the center.

## Herndon Elects New Town Council

Supervisor Foust congratulates the newly elected Herndon Town Council. The elections were held on May 4 with the new Council taking office in July. Supervisor Foust looks forward to working with Mayor Steve DeBenedittis, and returning members Connie Hutchinson and Bill Tirrell and new Council members Vice Mayor Lisa Merkel, Sheila Olem, Jasbinder Singh and Grace Wolf.

## Dolley Madison Temporary Library Dedication

Supervisor John Foust presented a symbolic "Key to Knowledge" to Dolley Madison Head Librarian, Star Smith, to officially dedicate the temporary home of the Dolley Madison Library in the McLean Square Shopping Center on Old Dominion Drive. During the ceremony on July 8, Supervisor Foust, Delegate Comstock, members of the Library Board of Trustees, library staff and patrons toured the renovated space that will be home to the library until the renovations and expansion of the permanent library on Ingleside Avenue are completed in summer 2011. At the dedication ceremony, Supervisor Foust stated that "The Board of Supervisors is committed to providing lifelong learning, recreational and cultural opportunities to all Fairfax County residents." The Supervisor thanked the citizens of the County for their approval of the 2004 bond referendum which provided the funding for the library improvements.



*Kristin Cabral, Dranesville representative to the Fairfax County Library Board of Trustees, and Star Smith, Head Librarian at Dolley Madison Library with Supervisor John Foust.*



## Herndon Town Council Welcomes New Herndon ES Principal Ann Gwynn and Recognizes Contributions of Retiring Herndon HS Teacher Gary Gepford

Retiring Herndon High School Spanish instructor, Gary Gepford, was recognized by Herndon Mayor Steve DeBenedittis and the Herndon Town Council at a recent Council meeting. Mr. Gepford was recognized for his many years of service not only to the school but to the community at large with Students Against Global Abuse (SAGA). Gepford created SAGA nearly 30 years ago to institute a recycling program at Herndon High School and in community businesses in and around Herndon. SAGA has raised approximately \$350,000 selling recycled paper and has used these proceeds to award scholarships to the SAGA participants. Matthew O'Connor, a Herndon High School math teacher who has worked with Gepford for approximately 23 years, will continue to lead the SAGA program.

Also honored at the Council meeting was incoming Herndon Elementary School principal, Ann Gwynn. While new to the Town of Herndon proper, Ms. Gwynn is no stranger to the Herndon area. She comes to Herndon Elementary from Hutchison Elementary where she was named Assistant Principal of the Year in 2009 by the Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals (VAESP). A twenty-year FCPS veteran, her first job was at Dranesville Elementary School as a classroom teacher.

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova and Dranesville District Supervisor John Foust attended the Council ceremonies to welcome Ms. Gwynn and to recognize Mr. Gepford's many outstanding contributions to the residents of Fairfax County.



*Herndon Mayor Steve DeBenedittis, Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Sharon Bulova and Dranesville Supervisor John Foust welcome Ann Gwynn (second from left) to her new position as Herndon Elementary School Principal.*

## McLean Professional Park Changes Entrance Layout

Next time you pass by the intersection of Tennyson and Chain Bridge Road take notice of the changes to the entrance to McLean Professional Park. The entrance to the complex was recently moved west of the intersection, providing a much safer and more attractive approach. The entrance relocation project included additional landscaping and new sidewalks with brick pavers installed in accordance with McLean's Design Standards.



## H1N1 Pandemic Ends

In accordance with the World Health Organization's official declaration of the end of the H1N1 pandemic, State Health Commissioner Karen Remley declared the end of this public health emergency in Virginia on August 13. This declaration does not mean that the H1N1 virus has disappeared. Based on experience with past pandemics, it is expected that the H1N1 virus will continue to circulate for some years to come as one of the seasonal flu viruses.

Given the experience from this recent pandemic (as well as past pandemics), the County's Health Department believes it is likely that the virus will continue to cause serious disease in at risk groups, at least in the immediate post-pandemic period. For this reason, the Health Department continues to remain vigilant in its surveillance efforts and urges high risk individuals, their close contacts and everyone who wants to protect themselves against the flu to get vaccinated when vaccine becomes available this season. This year's vaccine will protect against three different flu viruses, including H1N1.



## Recognitions

### State Champion McLean High School Girls Softball Team Honored by Board of Supervisors

Dranesville Supervisor John Foust and his colleagues on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, recognized the McLean High School Girls Softball Team at their July 13 Board meeting, for winning the Virginia State AAA Championship and becoming state softball champions.

The McLean Highlanders clinched the title on June 12, against the Lee-Davis Confederates at Westfield High School. It was McLean High School's first ever state softball championship.

Supervisor Foust presented the team members with a certificate recognizing them for their dedication to their goal, outstanding teamwork and exemplary sportsmanship.



*McLean High School Girls Softball Team members pose with their certificate of recognition. Also present are team coaches, McLean High School administrators, Supervisor Foust and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.*

### State Champion Langley High School Boys Lacrosse Team Honored by Board of Supervisors

At its July 27 meeting, Supervisor Foust and his colleagues on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors recognized the Langley High School Boys Lacrosse Team for winning the Virginia High School League's state tournament and becoming two-time consecutive Virginia State Lacrosse Champions.

The Langley Saxons clinched the title on June 12, against the Loudoun Valley Vikings at Westfield High School. Supervisor Foust presented the team members with a certificate recognizing them for their dedication to their goal, outstanding teamwork and exemplary sportsmanship.



*Langley High School Boys Lacrosse Team members pose with their certificate of recognition. Also present are Langley High School administrators, team coaches and managers, Supervisor John Foust and Board Chairman Sharon Bulova*

## Langley High School Teacher Brigitte Lavey is Fairfax County Public Schools 2010 Teacher of the Year

Brigitte Lavey, a Social Studies teacher at Langley High School, has been named the Fairfax County Public Schools 2010 Teacher of the Year. Ms. Lavey has been with Fairfax County Public Schools since 1968 and at Langley High School for 34 years. She teaches Advanced Placement World History, World Studies 2, and Geography.

Ms. Lavey also won this year's Washington Post Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award for educational excellence, which is presented annually to a teacher from each school division in the Washington metropolitan area and includes a \$3,000 prize. Previously, Ms. Lavey received Langley's DeBusk Award and Human Relations Award and Fairfax County's History Teacher of the Year award. She was named a Fulbright Scholar for China, and has been a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow twice. She earned her bachelor's degrees in English and History from St. Louis University.

Ms. Lavey dedicates time outside of school to students who are struggling academically. She is also the sponsor of the History Honor Society at Langley.

## McLean Resident Frank Crandall Awarded 2010 Elly Doyle Park Service Award

McLean resident Frank Crandall has been selected to receive the 2010 Elly Doyle Park Service Award. The Elly Doyle Award was created to annually recognize an individual who through his/her volunteer efforts helps to protect and enhance Fairfax County parkland. Mr. Crandall was jointly nominated for the award by Supervisor Foust and Dranesville District Park Authority Board member Kevin Fay. For over two decades, Frank Crandall has volunteered his time and expertise across diverse matters ranging from environmental oversight and wildlife management to developing standards for athletic field lighting. According to Mr. Fay, "Frank's expertise and commitment to solving challenging natural resource issues has made him a unique and valued asset for the Park Authority and to the community." Supervisor Foust stated that Mr. Crandall "actively lives the idea that we are stewards of our natural resources and his contributions will have a lasting impact on our community."



## Baseball Coach Honored by New "Phil Chisolm Field"

Phil Chisolm, a much-loved and highly regarded former McLean Little League baseball coach, was remembered at a ceremony held on June 21. Family members, friends, former players on his teams, McLean Little League representatives, Supervisor John Foust and Dranesville representative on the Park Authority Board, Kevin Fay, were on hand at the ceremony held at the field formerly known as Spring Hill Park Field #1, to remember and honor the late Phil Chisolm. The Park Authority renamed the field in Mr. Chisolm's honor and the group unveiled a sign designating the new "Phil Chisolm Field."



# McLean Centennial

McLean celebrated its 100 year anniversary on June 21, 2010.

*Former Virginia Delegate Vince Calahan introduced Supervisor John Foust at the recent celebration of the McLean Centennial.*



## County Board of Supervisors Recognizes Maria Hayden

The Fairfax Board of Supervisors recognized Maria Hayden, a recent graduate of Herndon High School, for winning the State All-Around Gymnastics Title. Maria has been participating in gymnastics since the age of three. Her accomplishments include winning numerous awards and recognitions at the local, regional and state levels. An injury abruptly ended her season last year but her work ethic and commitment to her sport enabled her to return and achieve much success for herself and her school.

In addition to winning the state title, she is one of only a few high school athletes who can claim to be a Washington Post All-Met for four consecutive years and was selected as the Gymnast of the Year by the Washington Post in 2007. In addition to her athletic accomplishments, she is an excellent student, team leader and role model for her teammates. Last year, when it appeared that high school gymnastics might be cut from the School budget, she became a spokesperson and was interviewed by local media on the importance of preserving the funding for her sport.



## 2010 Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce Business and Community Awards

The Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce recently recognized 16 individuals and businesses as leaders of the McLean Business Community. Congratulations to the Winners!

**Non Profit of the Year**  
**Community Partnership Award**  
**Outstanding Business Citizen**  
**Outstanding Community Citizen**  
**New Business**  
**Innovative Business**  
**Commitment Award**  
**Community Advocate**  
**Entrepreneur**  
**Beautification Award**  
**Restaurant of the Year**  
**Retailer of the Year**  
**Chairman's Award**  
**Chairman's Award**  
**Firefighter of the Year**  
**Police Officer of the Year**

Medical Care for Children Partnership Foundation  
 Chesterbrook Residences  
 F. Kevin Reynolds  
 Vic Kimm  
 Chop-n-Chicken  
 McLean Giant  
 Patricia Butler  
 Robert Jackson  
 Jennifer North  
 The Lewinsville Coalition  
 McLean Family Restaurant and J. Gilberts  
 Safeway Inc.  
 McLean Volunteer Fire Chief Clyde Clark  
 Marcia S. Twomey  
 Hazardous Materials Technician Steven T. Onufrey  
 Police Officer First Class Jonathan Ward



## Helpful Information

### McLean Project for the Arts' Community Art Festival

On October 3, 2010 MPAartfest will once again transform McLean Central Park into a lively landscape of mini art galleries showcasing and offering for sale the work of a diverse group of 40 juried artists.

MPAartfest includes activities to captivate art-lovers of all ages. The Gazebo Stage will feature a variety of live performances throughout the day. Visitors can treat themselves to a delicious selection of refreshments from local restaurants. Supervisor Foust and his wife, Dr. Marilyn Jerome Foust, will serve as this year's Honorary Host and Hostess for the event.



**Sunday October 3  
10:30 am to 4:30 pm**

McLean Central Park  
Old Dominion Drive and Dolley Madison Blvd.  
McLean, VA

Admission is free, but a \$5 donation to MPA would be greatly appreciated.  
Your donation will help support MPAartfest, and MPA's exhibitions and education programs.

### Help for New Residents Searching for Child Care

Based on the most recent Census figures, about 75,000 people will move into Fairfax County this year – including about 5,000 young children. Families who are new to the community can call the Fairfax County Office for Children for help with finding child care at 703-449-8484.

Families can also search for child care on the Office for Children's website, which has a database of more than 500 Fairfax County child care centers and more than 2,200 family child care providers who have a state license or a County permit to care for children in their homes. "Our online database lists a variety of important details about the care offered by each child care program, such as the ages of the children served; which schools are located nearby; what accommodations are available for children with special needs; and whether the home or facility is near public transportation," explains Office for Children Director Anne-Marie Twohie.

For help with finding child care programs with current permits or licenses, call the Office for Children at 703-449-8484, or visit their website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/childcare/search/>.

### Riverbend Park Indian Festival

*A celebration of Native American Culture in Virginia.*

Featuring tribal dance performances, native crafts, exhibitions and much more.

Saturday, September 11, 2010

**10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Riverbend Park Visitor Center  
8700 Potomac Hills Street  
Great Falls, VA



Eight Virginia and Washington, D.C. area tribes, including the Rappahannock dancers and drummers, will help celebrate the Virginia Indian Festival at Riverbend Visitor Center. See demonstrations by tribe members, tool-making experts and local archaeologists, plus bow and arrow shooting. Help build an authentic dug-out canoe. Crafts, pottery and music will be available for purchase. The cost is \$5 per person. For information, please call 703-759-9018.



# Is the Salesperson at Your Door Licensed?

Soliciting is the sale of goods or services door-to-door or from a temporary stand. Chapter 31 of the Fairfax County Code requires anyone selling goods or services in this manner to have a Solicitor's License issued by the County. Any violation of Chapter 31 is a Class 2 Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.

Solicitors are required by law to show their license to any prospective customer who requests it. They are also required to leave the premises when asked, may not solicit where "No Peddlers or Solicitors" signs are posted, and may only operate between the hours of 9:00 am and 8:00 pm.


Often solicitors will show customers an ID badge or some other document, claiming that they are licensed by Fairfax County when they are not. Legitimately licensed solicitors should always show their Fairfax County-issued license when a prospective customer asks for it. If a solicitor hesitates when asked for his/her license, or presents something that does not resemble the license shown below, the solicitor may not be properly licensed.

Solicitors offer a wide variety of goods and services for sale. Solicitors may be selling goods or services or "setting appointments" for high-speed internet/cable service, home improvements, home security alarms, magazine subscriptions, tree work, firewood, driveway sealing, coupon books, or meat. No matter what good or service they are offering, the solicitor is required to have a license.



The Fairfax County Solicitor's License is a laminated card that displays the solicitor's photograph, name, and personal information on the front side. The back side of the license displays the solicitor's business information and thumbprints. It is valid for one year from date of issue.

## Door-to-Door Solicitors are required to have a license.

A legitimate Fairfax County Solicitor's License resembles this example:

	NAME Tina Norris			
	ADDRESS 9677 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22030			
	HEIGHT 5'5"	WEIGHT 110	EYES Blue	HAIR Brown
	DOB 12/10/1982		DRIVER LICENSE # T65-11-1111	
	<b>IT IS AGAINST THE LAW</b> 1. To not have this license in your possession when peddling/soliciting. 2. To refuse to show this license to a purchaser or a police officer. 3. To peddle/solicit before 9:00 a.m. or after 8:00 p.m. 4. To peddle/solicit upon property where signs prohibit such activity. 5. To peddle/solicit from a state highway right-of-way. 6. To violate the provisions of the Virginia Consumer Protection Act or the Home Solicitation Sales Act. FAIRFAX COUNTY DOES NOT, BY ISSUING THIS LICENSE, ENDORSE EITHER THE LICENSEE, BUSINESS OR PRODUCT. <b>PEDDLERS/SOLICITORS LICENSE</b> TEMPORARY			

Director, Consumer Protection Division  
Dept. of Cable Comm. and Consumer Protection  
CA-136

TYPE OF GOODS Art & Jewelry		NO. S06-104
EMPLOYER DeSigns By Tina	PHONE 703-111-2222	
EMPLOYER'S ADDRESS 8899 Designs Avenue, Arlington, VA 22030		
ISSUED (DATE) 4/12/2005	EXPIRES (DATE) 4/12/2006	
LEFT THUMB PRINT 	RIGHT THUMB PRINT 	

When a solicitor knocks...

- Ask for his or her license.
- If they do not have a valid license, ask them to leave.
- Call Fairfax County Police (non-emergency) at 703-691-2131 to report the violation.

The Solicitor's License is an individual license, not a business license. If a solicitor tells you that his or her business has a license, the solicitor may not be properly licensed to solicit in Fairfax County.

Consumers may file complaints on-line or download a complaint form from the Regulation and Licensing Branch Department's website at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/consumer](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/consumer). Consumers may also contact the Regulation and Licensing Branch at 703-324-5966 TTY 711 to speak with an investigator or to receive a complaint form by mail.



## McLean AAUW 41st Used Book Sale

The McLean Area American Association of University Women (AAUW) is holding its 41st Annual Used Book Sale the weekend of September 10.

Event details:

Friday, September 10: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Saturday, September 11: 10:00 am - 6:00pm  
Sunday, September 12: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

McLean Community Center  
1234 Ingleside Avenue  
McLean, VA

Hardbacks and Paperbacks, Rare Books, Children's Books, CD's & Videos, \$7.00 per bag on Sunday

For more information, please call 703-356-8364 or [www.mcleanaauw.org](http://www.mcleanaauw.org). Proceeds support the American Association of University Women's Educational Opportunities Fund and Local Scholarships.



## Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce presents Suits and Sneakers Extravaganza Event to Benefit Claude Moore Colonial Farm

Are white sneakers still in style after Labor Day? Do high-tops or low-tops go with business attire? Should your sneakers match your suit? Running or cross-trainers? No one knows -- but the McLean Chamber of Commerce (GMCC) aims to find out at its first ever "Suits and Sneakers Extravaganza," **Thursday, October 7, 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Claude Moore Colonial Farm.**



The event, similar to "Taste of McLean," will benefit the Claude Moore Colonial Farm as well as programs of the GMCC. The event will feature international gourmet foods prepared and served by McLean area restaurants, a coffee and dessert bar, fine wine samples with a sommelier on site, local musicians from the McLean Orchestra, and a cigar-sample tent sponsored by the *Fairfax County Times Newspaper*. Tickets are \$125 per person. Dress is business attire and, of course, sneakers are encouraged. Throughout the evening GMCC will give away door prizes and silent auction items will be available from local retailers.

**Claude Moore Colonial Farm is located at 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA 22101.** Sponsorships are available. For more information, visit [www.mcleanchamber.org](http://www.mcleanchamber.org). To RSVP, visit [www.mcleanchamber.org](http://www.mcleanchamber.org) or call the chamber at 703-356-5424. For sponsorship information, ask for GMCC President Marcia Twomey or Leigh Bowes.

At the event, the chamber also will be collecting new and gently used sneakers (both children and adult sizes) to give to a charity clothing drive.



# NatureFest 2010

## *Connecting to Nature*

**Sunday, September 19**

**1 pm - 5pm**

**Runnymede Park - Herndon Parkway**

Enjoy twelve stations which lead you through the park that include hands on activities, educational events, wildlife visitors and crafts. Food is provided by JJ Deli and craft projects.

Parking availability:

1. Park along Herndon Parkway (space is limited, we encourage carpooling).
2. Bike or walk if you live nearby.
3. Ride the FREE shuttle bus from the satellite parking at the sponsor, Northwest Federal Credit Union, at 200 Spring Street.

While there, take part in their Fall Shred Event from 12:30 - 4:30 pm. Attendees may bring up to 3 cartons of old bills, statements and other personal documents to have them destroyed on-site for FREE. To stay with our green theme, Safeguard Shredding recycles 100% of all paper shredded.

This event is co-sponsored by The Friends of Runnymede Park and Herndon Parks and Recreation Department. If you would like to volunteer, please contact The Friends of Runnymede at [nf2010volunteer@yahoo.com](mailto:nf2010volunteer@yahoo.com).

## Great Falls Happenings

### **Annual 9/11 Ceremony**

**September 11 at 7 pm**

**Great Falls Freedom Memorial next to the Great Falls Library.**

Remembering the six Great Falls residents who perished when Flight 77 crashed into the pentagon. Supervisor Foust will attend the ceremony.

### **GFCA General Session Meeting**

**September 14 at 7:30 pm**

**Great Falls Grange**

Topics: Wastewater Management and the Future of the Great Falls Village Center (Session 1). 2010-2011 Priorities and Budget Presentation. Please join a community conversation about the wastewater management issues and strategy that may affect the future of the Great Falls Town Center. This will be the first in a series of 5 informative sessions. For this one, officials from Fairfax County Health Department will set the stage for a detailed and informative discussion on the status of the existing sanitary systems.

### **The 5th Annual Charity VIP Memorial Soccer Tournament**

**October 9-10**

Vanessa Pean Foundation hosts this event. Games will be played at Nike and other local fields.

For information, contact Gail Pean at [gpean@vanessapeanfoundation.org](mailto:gpean@vanessapeanfoundation.org).

## Herndon High School Homecoming Parade Saturday, October 23

The 2010 Herndon High School Homecoming Parade will be held on Saturday, October 23, at 9:30 am. The parade follows Eldon Street through historic Herndon. This year's theme is "Decades: In Commemoration of Herndon High School's 100th year." The parade will feature the Herndon High School Marching Band, Girl Scout and Boy Scout Troops, floats and more. Children and pets are welcome. For more information email [herndonparade@aol.com](mailto:herndonparade@aol.com).



*All Events held at McLean Community Center unless otherwise noted.*

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## McLean Fall Community Garage Sale



**Saturday, Sept. 11**

**9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Where: Business Bank Parking Garage (next to McDonalds and J. Gilberts Restaurant)**

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## Sunday Soirée Series



**Two Dates! September 19 and November 21**

**Sunday, Sept. 19 “Tribute to Artie Shaw and Buddy Rich”**

**Sunday, Nov. 21 “Cab Calloway, His Highness of Hep”**

**3-5 p.m. both dates**

Admission: \$5 at the door

Dance or just listen to the music of The Wayne Tympanick Trio. Refreshments will be served.

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## Oktoberfest Dinner - Munich in McLean

**Friday, Sept. 24**

**Two seatings available:**

**6-7:30 p.m. or 8-9:30 p.m.**

Catering by Euro Bistro

Live Music by Alte Kamaraden

Advanced Sale tickets available September 8 -18, at the Alden Theatre Box office.

\$18 adults; \$9 under age 9. At the door: \$25 per person

Oktoberfest Menu by Euro Bistro includes Sausage, Sauerbraten Pork Schnitzel, Chicken Fingers, assorted sides, desert and drinks. An authentic German Oktoberfest dinner for the whole family! Beer, wine and soft drinks will be sold by the Friends of the McLean Community Center.

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## McLean 5K Run, Walk, & Roll

**Saturday, Oct. 2**

**7 a.m.–2 p.m.**

**Where: CENTURY 21 New Millennium, 6629 Old Dominion Drive, McLean, VA 22101**

Race Time: 8 a.m.; Race day registration begins at 7 a.m.

\$25 early bird (before 9/25/10); \$30 thereafter; \$35 race day

Pull on your running shoes and come join Century 21 New Millennium and the McLean Community Center for the third annual McLean 5K Run, Walk, & Roll. Proceeds from the race go to four charities this year: Children’s National Medical Center, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), Wounded Warrior Project and Habitat for Humanity.

Participation is available on many levels; become a sponsor, make a donation or come out to run, walk or roll! Early bird registration is available at [www.mclean5k.com](http://www.mclean5k.com). For more information contact Ryan Brookes at 703.448.8336, or [ryan.brookes@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:ryan.brookes@fairfaxcounty.gov).

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## McLean Pet Expo

**Saturday, Oct. 16, 2010**

**11 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Free Admission



**Where: Lewinsville Park 1659 Chain Bridge Rd., McLean**

Vendor and exhibitor booths featuring animal rescue organizations, nutrition and supplies, veterinary services, care and training --- even landscaping for pet owners! It can all be found at the McLean Pet Expo! There are a limited number of vendor spaces available! Please submit a Vendor Application by the deadline indicated on the form.

Featuring a judges’ panel of celebrity dogs and their trainers! Prizes awarded for best costumes sponsored by Dogtopia! Categories include; Funniest, Most Adorable, Most Creative, Best Couple and Scariest.